

JESSE BOND



Jesse Bond (familiarly called Uncle Jesse), the son of James and Sarah (Card) Bond, was born at Huntingford, Gloucestershire, England, Feb. 27, 1832. He married Sarah Adams, daughter of Samuel and Bessie Adams, Sept. 24, 1861. Came to Heber City in the spring of 1859.

In 1844, he became a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. In Dec. 1854, he set sail for America on the Clara Wheeler ship. After six weeks voyage, they landed in New Orleans, later going to Mormon Grove. In July 1855, he,

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Married Sarah Adams Sept. 24, 1861, Provo, Utah (daughter of Samuel and Bessie Adams, of Gloucestershire, who came to Utah 1841). She was born Aug. 12, 1842. Their children: William J.; Jane; Franklin, died; Joseph T.; David Almon; Gertrude; Blanche, died; Lacy. Family home Heber City, Utah.

Went to the Missouri river for immigrants in 1861; on the return trip was appointed captain of ten wagons. Crossed the plains five times with oxen and has reared the curfew bell for 21 years.

High priest. Town official of Heber. Farmer.

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with others, started across the plains with ox teams, arriving in Salt Lake on Nov. 13, 1855. In 1857, he moved to Provo. Quoting his history, he says: "At the time of the trouble in Utah in 1857-8 when Johnston's army was on its way to Utah, I, along with many others, was called out to defend our homes, being stationed in and around Echo Canyon, Summit County. In the spring of 1859, I went up into Provo Valley (now Wasatch County) and planted wheat, remaining in the valley until the fall of 1859. In the spring of 1860, I made my home in Heber City. May 1861, I drove an ox team to the Missouri River and back to assist a company of saints across the plains, four of the saints being assigned to my wagon. One of the four afterwards became my wife. On Sept. 24, 1861, I married Sarah Adams, daughter of Samuel and Bessie Adams. I made six trips across the plains to Omaha to purchase merchandise for the people of Heber. During the early settlement of Heber, I passed through much Indian trouble, notably the Black Hawk War. Also the grasshopper trouble when they ate so much of our crops that it was hard to obtain a living."

Parents of nine children: William J., Mrs. Fred W. (Jane) Giles, Frank, Joseph T., Mrs. George A. (Dora) Wootton, Mrs. George E. (Minnie) Littlewood, Mrs. Thomas H. (Gertrude) Crook, Zina, Mrs. Wesley V. (Lacy) Duke.

Jesse died Dec. 17, 1916. Sarah died Dec. 1, 1908.

In 1874 myself and family cared for the "Old Hall," later known as the Second Ward meeting house, and did so until it was vacated and the meetings were held in the newly erected Stake House. Then we cared for that building until 1909, having had them continuously for 35 years. During this time, my wife baked the bread for the Sacrament for Sunday School and Sacrament meetings.

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